

Remarks

Claims 5, 7, 9-11, 13-14 and 16 are amended herein to eliminate multiple dependency, and new claims 17-18 are added.

Claims 12-13 are further amended to add the word “anisotropic”. Support for this amendment is found in the specification as filed, page 3, lines 21-23.

Claim 14 is further amended is further amended to add the limitation that the process comprises a sealed heated chamber which comprises a cold inger into which water is placed. Support for this amendment can be found in the specification as filed, on page 9, lines 22-23.

Support for new claim 17 is found in claim 14 as filed.

Support for new claim 18 is found in claim 16 as filed.

The specification is amended on page 3 to characterize U.S. patent application 6,398,125, and on pages 5 and 8 to add the metric pressure unit. Support for the amendment to the specification on page 3 is an identical amendments made in the PCT application dated October 19, 2004. Support for the amendment to the specification on pages 5 and 8 is found in what was known by one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the application was filed, and in the amendment to the PCT application.

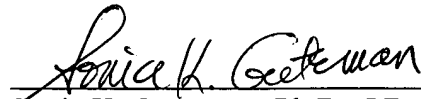
No new matter is added by the amendments to the claims and specification herein. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute claims as originally filed or having the same scope as the original claims, in this application or in another application having the same filing and priority dates.

Conclusion

In summary, Applicants believe that the specification and claims as here amended are in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

Should questions arise concerning election or reasons for traversal, Applicants invite and encourage the Examiner to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,



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